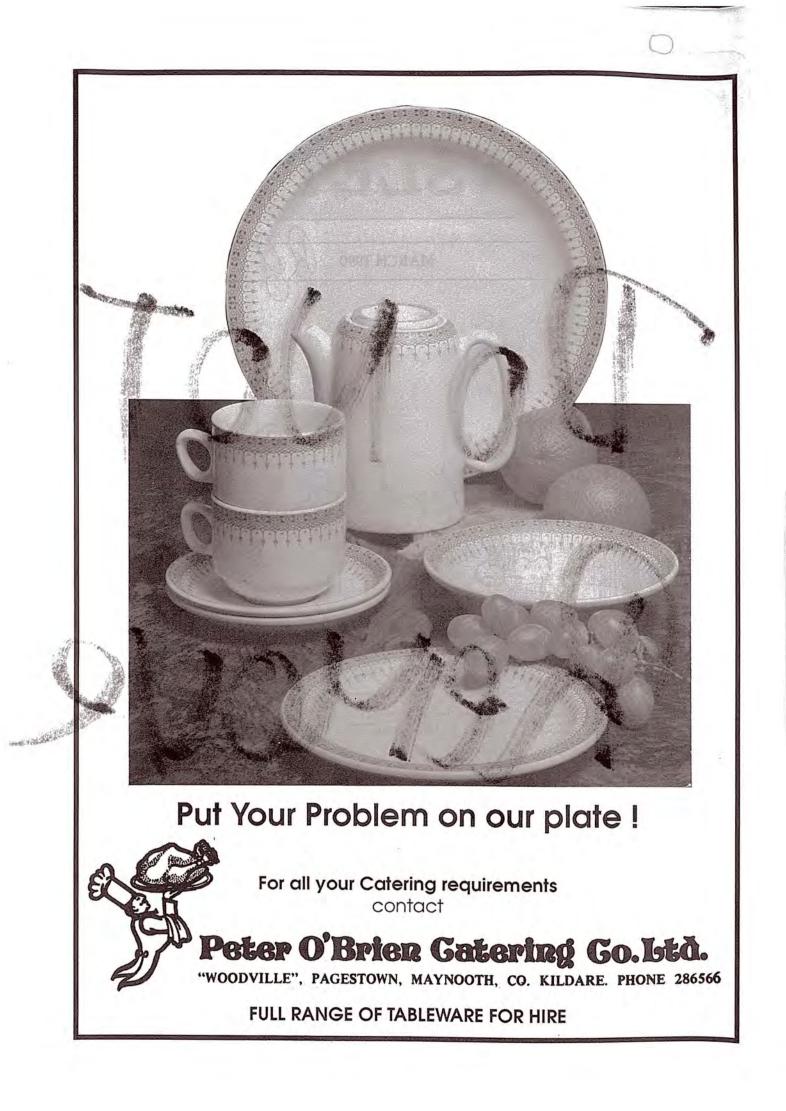


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(EDITORIAL

WHAT'S IN OUR WATER?

Just when we thought that bottled water offered a safe alternative to tap water, we find that perrier has been taken off the market while they try to find out where the benzene is coming from!

But just how safe is our water here in Kildare? Certainly Kildare County Council isn't too sure, particulary as they do not employ a chemist who could monitor the quality of our waterways. A recent survey of water quality carried out in Leixlip gives some causes for concern about what's in our local waterways. Four times the permitted EC level of aluminium was found in the Liffey close to the Leixlip Water Treatment Works - and with the links being drawn between the incidence of Alzheimer's disease and aluminium, this must be worrying. There was also evidence of sewage pollution in the Rye river which is a tributary of the Liffey.

It appears that high nitrate levels in the Royal Canal are endangering plant and animal life. The work of the Royal Canal Amenity Group in restoring the canal to its former glory, and in developing a fine amenity for local anglers, and also for tourists, may be undermined because of the extent of pollution. It is suspected that the source of the nitrates is from the agricultural sector.

How about a similar survey being carried out in the environs of Maynooth? Surely the College, and perhaps the local secondary schools will have the expertise to carry out the relatively simple monitoring tests required to monitor the quality of our waterways.

CONFIRMATION

Tuesday 20th February was a happy day for the many children who were confirmed in the parish church by Bishop Lamont. However, not so happy were a number of parents who have mentioned to the Newsletter that holding the confirmation day on a working day imposes considerable expense n families, on top of the cost of decking the children out in their finery, and the lavish meals which seem to have become an unavoidable part of this big day.

Because of the involvement of parents and godparents in the ceremony, holding the ceremony on a working day entails perhaps up to four people taking a day off work - and not everyone can take a paid leave day. Some people even have to pay substitutes to replace them at work.

So a modest suggestion - other dioceses hold confirmations on Saturdays or Sundays, why not the Dublin diocese? To find out why not, please write to Archbishop McNamara.

DIRECTORY

Congratulations to the Community Concil workers who have produced the second edition of the Maynooth Information Directory. Free copies should be flying through letter boxes in the near future, but if readers have not received copies, please contact the Community Council Office. The Directory provides essential information on all aspects of life in Maynooth, and should be especially useful for new residents who may not be aware of the variety of organisations, facilities, amenities and services which exist in Maynooth.

ELECTIONS

Yes, Community Council elections are coming up again. The Newsletter reminds readers again of how important it is to support the only form of local democracy we have in Maynooth. The achievements of the Council to date are very impressive, and have been listed elsewhere. However, new people are needed to take up the baton from those who have given their time and energy to making Maynooth a better environment, and who now want to take a well earned rest. Nomination forms are widely available. We urge people to come forward, and continue the good work.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Finally, don't forget to attend Maynooth's own St. Patrick's Day parade. The parade is a great opportunity to experience Maynooth as a living community, either as a participant or a spectator. So avoid the crush in Dublin, support your local community, and watch ut for the Newsletter crew. Dear Sir,

With regard to a recent note by Deputy Bernard Durkan in a circular to houses in the Maynooth area on Saturday 3rd February. I would like to raise the following Points:

1. The matter has not been taken up with An Post.

2. There has been no latest reply.

3. They have not agreed that a problem exists.

4. No survey is about to be undertaken.

Perhaps Deputy Durkan will now publicise a retraction.

Yours sincerely, Eugene T. Donovan, Postmaster.

> 58, Laurence Ave., Maynooth.

Dear Editor,

Having recently seen "Last Exit to Brooklyn" I was curious to see if your reviewer's opinion of it was the same as my own. I struggled through the review twice and I can only conclude that the soccer correspondent of the Irish Times is doing a nixer for the Newsletter, for that is the only quarter from which I have previously seen such pretentious drivel. For those who haven't seen it and who didn't have my perseverence with the review, "Last Exit to Brooklyn" is a very good film which shouldn't be missed.

> Yours faithfully Jim Cunningham

The Editor, Maynooth Newsletter,

A chara,

In a letter in your February issue, Emmet Stagg T.D. claims that the Labour Party will continue to work for left unity and that "the major obstacle to advance in this regard is the attitude and actions of the Workers' Party". This claim is simply at odds with the facts. Over the last few years, the Workers' Party has made

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several approaches to the leadership of the Labour party to discuss mutual cooperation, all of which have been rejected. No such approach to us has ever been made by the Labour Party.

The rules on the allocation of time to parties in Dail Eireann (with which Labour had previously been happy) were only changed - at Labour's insistence - when the Workers' party had grown sufficiently large to benefit from them. Only Fine Gael - not Labour benefitted from these changes. This is not a good example of left co-operation.

Regarding last year's Senate elections, the Workers' party proposed a mutual voting pact to Labour frm whch Labour would have been the main benificiaries, but this was rejected by Labour. This forced the Workers' Party to make deals with other candidates which precluded them from voting for Labour. No instructions were issued to Workers' Party voters NOT to vote for Labour (as Emmet Stagg alleges), and in fact some Labour candidates DID benefit from Workers' Party votes where no alternative pact operated. More recently, the Workers' Party again approached Labour to discuss the possibility of an agreed candidate for this year's presidential election. Not only did Dick Spring reject this suggestion, but made use of the opportunity to launch a vicious attack on the Worker's Party.

In last year's General Election, all Workers' party canvassers in Kildare were instructed to seek second preferences for Labour. I am aware of many of our canvassers (including myself) who are quite angry at Emmet Stagg's allegation that this was not done.

Leaflets circulated locally by Labour prior to that election claimed that Labour were the only party to oppose the health cuts (which were originally initiated by a Labour Minister for Health), and that Labour had led the campaign against service charges in Kildare. These are not good examples of the left co-operation espoused by Emmet Stagg in his letter.

The Workers' Party continues to enjoy good relations with Labour party members locally in Maynooth. It would be unfortunate if these relations were t be placed under stress by the attitude to the Workers' Party shown by Labour's natonal leadership.

Is mise, le meas,

Proinnsias Breathnach Cathaoirleach, Maynooth Branch, The Workers' Party

The Editor, Maynooth Newsletter.

Dear Editor,

I would like to agree wholeheartedly with the views expressed by P. Devaney, in February's issues of The Newsletter, on 'The Thing.' in the Square. The plan to elevate the building to two storeys will certainly worsen the appearance of the Square. The public convenience has become so dirty and dilapidated that it contributes directly to the continued reduction of marks awarded in the Tidy Towns Competition. It has also become a health hazard due to lack of cleaning and the fact that the structure is used as an outside toilet at night.

Town squares should be attractive, open spaces, where the people of the town can meet and relax. As an aspiring Local Representative I demand that the County Council demolishes this building immediately.

With the forthcoming up-grading of the Straffan Road, the County Council has an ideal opportunity to do this.

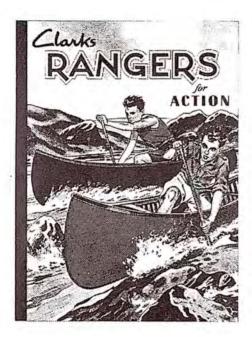
Yours sincerely,

John McGinley.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

We have been notified that the Army Bands are unavailable for the event, but all the usual bands have been notified and we look forward to a good response. The viewing Stand will be situated at Carton Avenue this year and the address will be given by the Rev. Gavin Williamson. All clubs and businesses have been notified and the parade should be even bigger and better than usual.

TIDY TOWNS REPORT

The committee are placing the proposed plans from K.C.C. for the "Thing" for viewing by the public in the library and they wish the residents to respond to this revised proposal.

K.C.C. are again to be approached on the general neglect of the Maynooth area and the necessity for S.E.S. workers in the town. Eight workers are required to fill these vacancies for K.C.C. anyone interested should contact FAS at the library on Thursday from 2 - 4 p.m.

John McGinley and Richard Farrell reported on two meetings of the Maynooth Castle Committee which they attended on behalf of the Community Council. Work has already begun and twelve students are carrying out an exploratory survey of the site. The Council donated £100 towards the initial cost and monies were also donated by other organisations. Gerard Howard-Williams was praised for his hard work and dedication t the project. All meetings have been hosted by the College and attended by the President Michael Ledwith. A committee has been established as follows:

Administrator: Gerard H.W. Secretary/P.R.O.: Joan H.W. Treasurer: Michael Stapleton

It was emphasised that the entire Community must be seen to support the restoration of the Castle so that the funding from the E.C. may be forthcoming. Outside bodies involved include the D.P.W. and Bolton Street. It is hoped to restore the Castle to its

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stately form of C. 1650 and it is generally recognized that it is the most important and best example of medieval castle in Ireland. The Committee hope to take a stand at the Trade Fair to publicise this project.

MEETING WITH TRUSTEE'S

The Executive and Tom McMullon met with the Trustees of both the Harbour Field and the Geraldine Hall the M.D.A. Two members of the Management Committee of the Geraldine Hall were also in attendance. It was stressed that the C.C. held insurance policies solely for activities for which we were responsible, primarily the Community Festival and that additional insurance was also taken for any other isolated extra events.

From communications received from Mr. Fred Leavy, it appeared that lack of proper communiction was the basis of the problem between Trustees and the Community Council. It was clarified that the Trustees are properly indemnified on all occasions on which the Community Council use the Harbour Field. It was agreed that the Council would inform Mr. Melligan, Mr. Leavy in writing prior to any usage of the Harbour Field. It was also agreed that a notice from the Trustees should appear in the Newsletter stating the present position - individuals and groups using the field were responsible for taking out their own insurance cover and that the Community Council had already taken such cover in any event for which they were responsible. The Community Council do not hold overall Insurance for the Field.

There followed a short discussion between the management Council of the S.H. and the Trustees. It was stressed that the playground area is not insured and is uninsurable like many playgrounds in the country. The Geraldine Hall does not have Public Liability insurance either and it is the responsibility of each group to insure it for their various activities. Finally it was decided, in order to avoid further confusion, that there should be a yearly meeting between trustees and the Maynooth Community Council.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

The Committee informed us that despite the very poor turn out at the A.G.M. they would continue to organise the Community Games for a further year. All events will take place a month earlier this year due to the World Cup Finals. A longer report will be found elsewhere in the Newsletter.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The chairperson gave a short account of the very successful Launch which took place in the Library on Tuesday 6th February. There was a very good attendance at the occasion for which the I.C.A. provided the refreshments. The Directory is being distributed by the Community Councillors at present, free of charge, to the households in Maynooth. We would like to express our gratitude to the following:

* FAS, particularly Des Murray and Eamonn Rapple.

* All the S.E.S. workers and Teamworkers, Geraldine Hayden, Maura Craddock, Evelyn Lane, Donal O'Donoghue, Helen O'Connor-Watson, Bernadette Gannon, Norah McDermott, Michael Hughes, Emma Boyce, Martin O'Brien, Fiona O'Connor, Anna Lavin, Dianne Walsh and Christina Saults.

- * Mr. Joe Wall
- * The Committee
- * The Advertisers
- * Ann Marie Sheehan for design of the cover
- * The Library
- * The I.C.A.

Among those present at the Launch were Des Murray, Eamonn Rapple of FAS, Councillor Gerry Brady, Sean Power T.D., Emmet Stagg T.D., Rev. Gavin Williamson. Copies of the Directory were formally presented to dignatories present and particularly to Mrs. Daly the oldest resident of



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Maynooth. There were short speeches from the Chairperson Muireann Ni Bhrolchain, Eamonn Rapple of FAS and Emmet Stagg on behalf of the Celbridge Area Committee of KCC. There was great praise for the placement record from both schemes which is the highest placement in Ireland.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The present Community Council comes to an end March when elections will be held for the next Council. It was agreed that three years was too strenuous for such voluntary work, particularly for the Executive, and that two years would be less strenuous and more productive.

Any resident over 18 who gives a nomination form to the Community Council office is eligible for election. Further information in this issue.

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The President of the S.U. (Pauline Madigan) informed us of an increase in the assaults on students. She also stressed that bad lighting and the lack of any lighting in some areas was leading to this increase. The general state of the roads and pavements in the area were also discussed at length and the inaction of KCC in this matter. In the mean-time the fastly deteriorating conditions were a hazard to cyclists, motorists, and particularly to pedestrians such as mother with buggies, prams and also to the older members of the community. Fr. McGreil of St. Patrick's College was praised for the Public stance taken over this issue on radio. Pauline Madigan also informed us the

Rag Week would take place from the 19th - 23rd February and asked the community forbearance with the event. The Secretary, John McGinley, is to write to KCC regarding the installation of a Gaming Arcade beside McNamara's shop. such a venture was already condemned by the Community Council in the past years.

Some discussion took place regarding the change in appearance to the frontage of the Roost.

The Executive met with a representative of 1916 Commercrative Committee regarding the $\pm 10,000$ which the Committee won recently, the erection of a Bandstand in Pound Park was suggested. The Committee is to discuss the possibility and contact the Community Council as to the outcome.

Muireann Ni Bhrolchain

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Maynooth Community Council comes to the end of its term of office at the beginning of April. Elections for a new Council will be held at the end of March. In all, there are 38 places to be filled in these elections. Two further places will be allocated to nominees of Maynooth College Executive Council and Maynooth College Student's Union. Further members may be coopted at the discretion of the incoming Council.

Election Arangements

There are some modifications to the division of the Community Council catchment area into electoral areas compared with the previous election.

The number of Council places per electoral area is based on a rough ratio of 100 voters (from the Electoral Register) per Council member. The

electoral areas are as follows:

1. Town Centre (5 places) comprises the area bounded by Bond Bridge, Mullen Bridge, Blacklion, Kildare Bridge (Dunboyne Road) and the Parish Church.

2. Old Rail Park/Straffan Road (1 place) includes the Crescent.

3. Rail Park Estate (2 places).

4. Greenfield Estate (5 places) Includes Laurence Avenue, Maynooth Park, Greenfield Drive and Straffan Way.

5. Carton Court (2 places).

6. Kingsbry (5 places).

7. Greenfield Lane/Greenfield phase 1(1 place).

8. Greenfield Phase 2 (1 place).

9. Greenfield Phase 3/private Sites (1 place).

10. Beaufield (2 places).

11. Newtown (1 place).

12. Cluain Aoibhinn (1 place).

13. College Green (1 place).

14. Moyglare Road (2 places) includes

Moyglare Village Estate.

15. Outlying Area A (see map) (1

place) Includes the townlands of Carton Demesne Old Carton, Catherinestown, Kellystown, Blakestown.

16. Outlying Area B (2 places) includes the townlands of Windgates (East side of Straffan Road), Toolestown (do), Corbally, Griffinrath, Moneycooley, Ballygoran, Barrogstown/West/East, Killmacredock, Donaghmore.

17. Outlying Area C (3 places) Includes the townlands to Towanstown, Dowdstown, Taghadoe, Toolestown (West side of Straffan Road), Windgates (do.), Newtownmacabe, Roosk, Smithstown, Johninstown, Graiguesallagh, Cowanstown, Kealstown, Graiguelin, Derrinstown, Donaghstown.

18. Outlying Area D (1 place) Includes townlands of Timard, Laraghbryan East/West, The Maws, Ballycurraghan, Treadstown, Cormickstown, Crinstown and Laragh Demesne.

Election Schedule

Nominations

A Nomination Form is included in this issue of the Newsletter. Additional forms may be obtained from the Community Council Office.

All nomination forms should include the name and address of the nominee, the signatures of a proposer and seconder, and the signature of the nominee signifying her/his acceptance of the nomination. All nomination to be submitted to the Community Council Office by Monday March 19.

Elections

Voting papers will be distributed to all eligible households between March

26th - 30th. Votes will be collected the following week. Where votes have not been collected, they may be brought to collection points which will be specified on the voting papers. All votes must be returned by Friday April 6th.

Counting of votes will take place on Saturday April 7th. Counting will be done by neutral volunteers under the supervision of outside scrutineers. For single seat electoral areas, the single transferable vote method of counting (as in by-elections to Dail Eireann)

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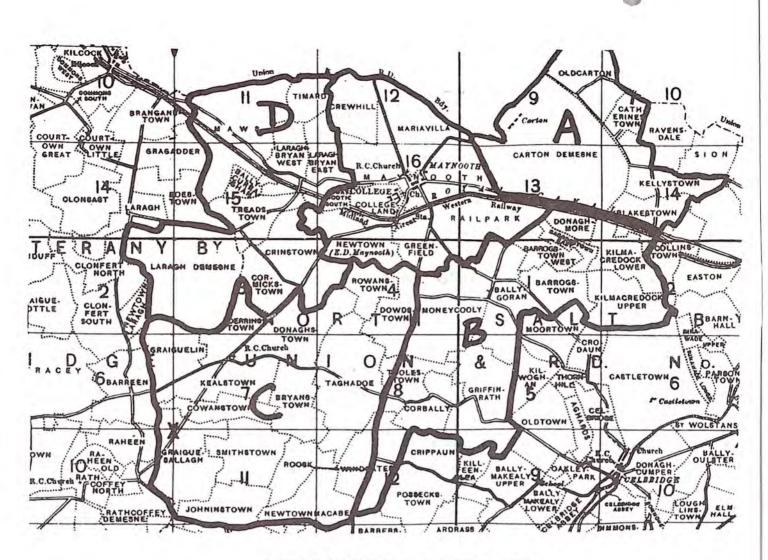
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COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTORATE AREA

will be used. For multiple-seat areas, each voter will have as many votes as

there are seats available, with the candidates obtaining the most votes being elected, as appropriate. This system is both easy to operate, and fairer than first-to-the-post methods used in British elections.

The first meeting of the new council will take place on Monday April 23rd.

John McGinley, Secretary.

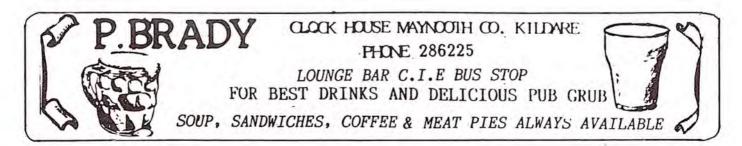
DIARY DATES FOR MARCH

7th March - Royal Canal Amenity Group A.G.M., Geraldine Hall at 8.00 p.m.

8th March - 'A Celtic Fairytale', Aula Maxima at 8.00 p.m.

17th March - St. Patrick's Day Parade beginning at 11 o'clock from Greenfield Shopping Centre. Bank Holiday Weekend - Collection for the Old People's Committee. 18th March - Maynooth Town Soccer Club Holiday Dance in Slims

23rd March - Community Games Social in Lumville House. Tickets £5 from Norah McDermott, Community Council Office.



CATHOLIC YOUTH COUNCIL REGIONAL OFFICE

The Catholic Youth Council officially opened a new Regional Office in Lucan on Friday 16th February 1990, at 8.00 p.m.CYC has two development officers based in Lucan who support the development of a broad based service to all young people and to all youth organisations, clubs and groups in the

Lucan region and Celbridge, Maynooth and Leixlip areas of North Kildare.

The Service - Provides training courses for adult leaders.

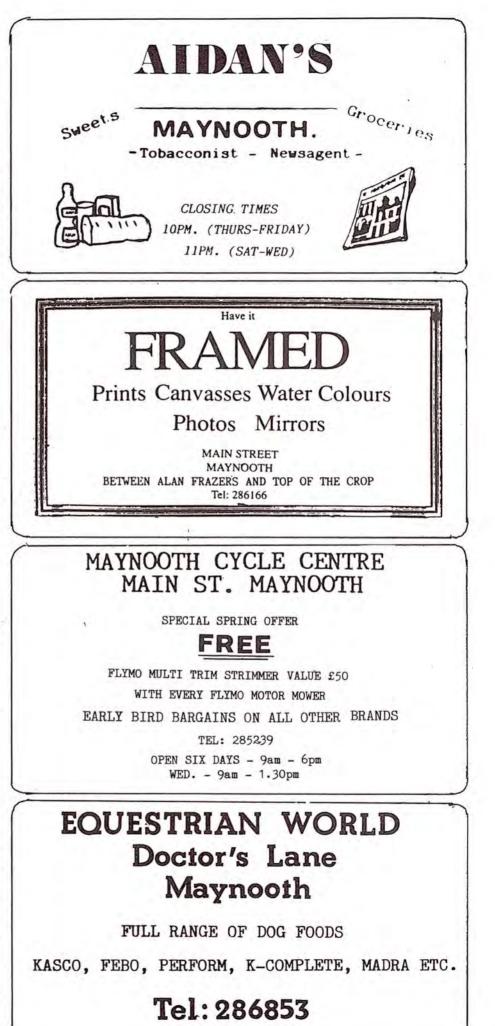
Promotes programmes of competitions, events and inter-group activities.
Supports and co-ordinates Summer projects.

- Offers support, information and guidance to all adults who work with and for young people.

- Promotes activities for young people at every level in the community.

The Catholic Youth Council is the Diocesan Agency which supports the services Youth Work and Youth Ministry and provides a variety of services to some 250 youths clubs, 120 summer projects, and 194 parishes. In addition, CYC (in co-operation with the local Vocational Education Committees), provides Youth Services in Bray, Dun Laoghaire, Clondalkin and Balbriggan/ Swords.

Further Information Contact: Mary Geagan/Louise Monaghan, Tel. 280465



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YOUNG SCIENTIST IN MAYNOOTH

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I knew I had to at least investigate Stephen McCarron's project which had the obscure title 'Hacking - The Art of Armchair Espionage'. Stephen a student of the Post Primary School, Maynooth, instantly began to explain his project. "Hacking," he said, "is a term which has come to mean gaining unauthorised access to a remote computer system over the telecommunications network." My keen interst in computers led me to take more time with Stephen than I anticipated. I listened closely to his aims which were to explain what hacking is, the problems it causes and how to prevent it, along with its possible benefits; and also to keep a balanced opinion between the hackers and the security persons. Last but not at all least he remarked that he was there to enjoy himself, which he seemed to do. "That's the spirit," I told Stephen's analysis of hacking him. was intended to change the thinking that hacking is bad, instead stressing that it is misinterpretated by most people. Stephen continued that it is only a danger concerning industrial spies, electronic vandals and ex-employees with a vendetta to justify. Perhaps we watch too much American television.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Meeting at 8.00 p.m. on third Monday of each month in M.A.D.E. Centre. the next meeting on Monday March 26th at 8.00 p.m.

Demonstrator Mrs. Harney. All are welcome, members free, new members \pounds 1.50 incl. tea. On April 24th the Annual Spring Show will take place at S.U.D. Hostels. Details later.



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A Dry White Season

'A Dry White Season' deals with the topical issue of apartheid in South Africa, as seen through the blinkered eyes of Ben Du Toit, a white teacher (Donald Sutherland). Du Toit, lives in a peaceful suburb of Johannesburg with his snooty wife, and two kids.

He does his bit for race relations by employing a black gardener Winston Ntshona. When the latter's son dies in police custody after a protest march, Du Toit begins at last to question the system. Further tragedies propel him into action, but he disagrees with the official explanation. He hires a liberal lawyer (Marlon Brando) famous for his defence of civil rights cases.

Brando, makes a welcome comeback to the screen after a disputed number of years. He turns 'A Dry White Season' around in his 20 minute cameo role. His commanding presence ensures a memorable court scene, where his ridiculing cross-examination of the despicable official (Jurgen Prochnow) becomes, by proxy, an indictment of the whole system.

Despite a disappointing ending, 'A Dry White Season' displays dynamic acting from the main protagonists, and the black actors especially. A very touching, inspirational piece of filmmaking, directed by Euzhan Palcy, the first black woman to make a film for Hollywood. Highly recommended.

Christina Hession

THE DUBLIN FILM FESTIVAL

The 5th Dublin Film Festival recently showcased in the Screen Cinema complex in College St. promises a rivetting selection of world cinema over the next few months. Despite embracing an array of films as geographically diverse as Taiwan and Russia, this years programme has a distinctly native flavour. Thaddeus O'Sullivan, hitherto a supremely accomplished cinematographer, makes his feature directorial debut with the world premiere of 'The December Bride' which opened the festival on February 23rd. Closing the nine-day event is the eagerly awaited

DUBLIN ARTS DIARY

Neil Jordan feature 'We're No Angels', a remake/homage of the 1950's Michael Curtiz movie, with Robert De Niro and Sean Penn cast as the eponymous angels. Jordan's film has played to mixed reviews on the U.S. circuit but is apparently quite an enjoyable romp through the comedy-thriller terrain.

Flavour of the month, Sinead O'Connor gives quite an assured performance in 'Hush a Bye Baby', a realistic depiction of contemporary Derry life. Such creative indigenous cinema-making so recently vindicated by the five oscar nominations for Jim Sheridans 'My Left Foot', intimates a wealth of native cinematic talent which a Government so vigorously promotes by choosing to ignore.

Other notable inclusions are Polish director Krysztof Keilowski 'A Short Film about Killing' and 'A Short Film about Love', both currently being shown, albeit in slightly abbreviated form, on Network 2's 'Decalogue' Series on Saturday nights. both films were quickly sold out attesting to the power of an artist who has emerged as the pre-eminent European Director of the 1980's. Oliver Stones Golden Globe laden 'Born on the Fourth of July' promises to surpass his previous anti-Vietnam excursion 'Platoon'. Two other films worth watching out for are 'Santa Sangre' and 'Monsieur Hire', the former being a highly controversial surreal and stomach churning movie from Alejandro Jodorowsky (his first in 17 years!). The latter is Patrice Leconte's enthralling adaptation of a Simenon novel which received ecstatic praise at last year's Cannes Festival. Most of the festivals more interesting movies will be screened over the coming months in Dublin's Cinema's (particularly The Lighthouse and the Screen).

THE SILVER TASSIE

Immediateley, we're celebrating another Croke Park victory and the cup triumphantly raised, filled with wine to the backdrop of an icon of the face of Christ.

O'Casey's 'The Silver Tassie' is about football, war and other absurdities; about God, false Gods, "tambourine theology" and the need for restoration. The blind not seeing, the lame still, and the able sanctimonious, ineffectual and mute.

God giveth, man taketh away.

Now in the foreground, a litany from the soldiers of Christ in France with the Tommies in World War I. Amidst their weariness with the ghostly dead passing before them on stretchers and their disfigured effigy of the crucified God held manically - a football descends, vellow and red. It restores to them a pure thing - a game claiming to be just that. Somehow with the enounter of two absurd negatives, a positive is made. Sylvestor and Simon (Godfrey Quigley and Aiden Grennell) are the half humanity we choose to propagate. They prefer to say something, anything at all rather than nothing lest they be made to feel foolish strutting noiselessly on a stage.

The telephone rings and we are launched into an apparently unconnected cameo, for comic relief perhaps - but it goes on too long. The characters are saying nothing life ded sycaphants talking to an ear-piece or listening to a mute mouth-piece - it's all wrong. they're mocking an attempt at contact, from some unseen thing, yes, but definitely coming now.

O'Casey's God, ever present and perfect, is bandied about like that football and the cup and chalice buckled and bent by mans own thrashings. And the breaking - point, as ever, the place of rendevous. Harry, played by David Herlihy, screaming after his beloved Jesse (sounding like J.C. whose presence looms larger as the play advances) broken. Through the wise words of the blind Teddy and some celestial cooings from white sisters poor Harry takes his ukelele and begins a healing.

But the crowd turn away to celebrate a showering of festive balloons - the gaily coloured embodiments of hot air popping in and, popping out where once was plunging on a battelfield. The ring-master bids us merrily live on - to dance and keep time and we hear echo the inane lives of Sylvestor and Simon of Act I Scene (I) and all things being



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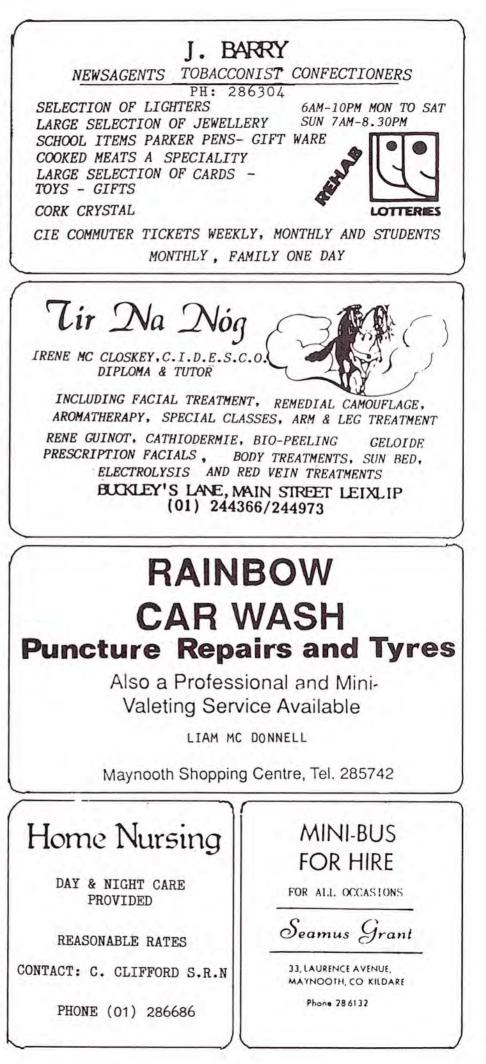
circular the voice-over of Nazi Germany and World War II.

We are as children destroying all in our path, and going forwards because we cannot go back and restoring the future is a paradox and a paradox like 'lose your life to find it' is inane and meaningless.

The Silver Tassie presently running at the Abbey directed by Patrick Mason is a powerful, evocative piece of Theatre. With splendid set design by Monica Frawley and sensitive characterisation from a host of our best players, I strongly recommend it. Isabella Cartwright

A CELTIC FAIRYTALE

'A Celtic Fairytale' in the Aula Maxima Feb. 16th - 18th was a wonderful experience for those of us who attended, and judging by the high spirits of the cast an even better experience for them. This show had everything; original script and music penned by Helen Clarke, beautiful costumes and lighting, simple but effective sets, clear and true singing by the principals and many, many stars in the guise of fairies, elves, vagabonds, angels of death and birth, forest dancers and witches helpers. These marvellous children stole the hearts and minds of their audience and we willingly travelled to Arcadia with them - booed the Wicked Witch (Muireann Ni Bhrolchain), and laughed when she threatened to turn us into the statues outside the Roost, fell in love with the beautiful Princess (Grace Kelly), sympathised with the King and Queen (Jim Cunningham and Martina Tyrell), and cheered when everyone lived happily ever after thanks to the Good Witch Aishling (Anna Marie McDermott). The children of the cast are too numerous to be listed but Grace Kelly as the Princess must be singled out for her sheer professionalism. My personal favourites would have to be the elves and fairies. I laughed till I cried everytime they trotted on stage. Many congratulations to Helen Clarke, writer and producer, and to the Community Council and the College Drama Society who collaborated on the event. A shining example of community effort and spirit and for those of you who missed it - shame on you. It was a show which left those of us who saw it a warm and happy glow.



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The end of another year is in sight. Our FAS scheme ends in mid March. It was a very hard but in the end rewarding year. Fundraising continued to take up most of the Committees time, while coordinating costings, engineering problems and the 20 workers was a priority for the supervisor Phil McDermott and the Executive Committee.

Our plans for the next scheme include work on the Island, the Harbour area, and the Old Harbour area, and the old Harbour at Carton (on the Dublin Road). There are major technical problems in raising the height of the Island and sealing the sides but we are confident we will overcome them.

Running another project makes it necessary to continue our fundraising, which we hope to hold to a small number of a big events for the year. The concert presented in association with "The Music Society", Maynooth College on the 22nd February was the first event for 1990. The "Spring Fair" will be held on the 28th and 29th April in the Boy's School will be the next. We are also involved in a Regatta being run by the "Lions Club" at the "North Kildare" on Sunday May the 6th. Enfield, Kilcock and Maynooth branches will benefit as will other charities in the Maynooth area. It is worth making a note of the date, it promises to be a day not to be forgotten.

Our A.G.M. takes place in the Geralding Hall on Wednesday the 7th March at 8 p.m. sharp. Everyone is welcome. So if you want to know what we are dong, what our plans are and dare I say it, become involved, make a point to attend.

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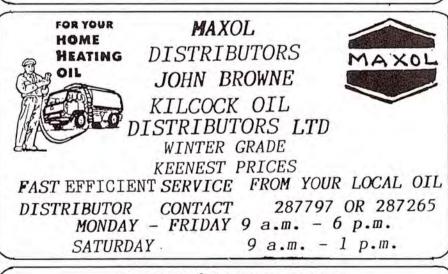
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We wish to thank all who donated prizes for the Christmas Raffle, which was a great success. Our next fund raising venture is a Mother's Day cake, plant and flower sale, which will be held on Friday March 23rd. Donations of plants, cuttings, fresh flowers, dried flowers and home baking would be greatly appreciated. These can be left in the school.

We hope to have some talks, which should be of interest to parents of Primary School children. The first such talk will take place on Tuesday March 13th at 8 p.m. in the School Hall.

The speaker will be professor John Coolahan of the Department of Education, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, and the title is "Curriculum Changes in Primary Education and Junior Cycle". All are welcome.

KILDARE MAYO ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of hte Mayo Association in Kildare was held in Naas on 30th January, 1990. Representatives from North Kildare include Tom McMyler, John Fleming, Tom Flatley and Tom Walsh from

Maynooth, Bernie Campbell from Rathcoffey and Tony Coleman from Kilcock. Our annual supper dance is cheduled for the Ambassador Hotel, Kill, on St. Patrick's night, and our annual dinner dance is arranged for late October 1990.

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On behalf of the Community Council and the cast I would like to congratulate and thank all those who were involved in the unique, splendid and successful event. The only problem was the low attendance. This may have been due to lack of publicity, the weather, general apathy or simply other events which were also organised that weekend.

The "Musical Fantasy' was staged in the Aula Maxima on Friday 16th, Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th of February. With four adults and approximately thirty children it was fairly hectic and pandemonium reigned at times backstage. The production was a cooperative effort between the Community Councillor's Teamwork Scheme and the Roscian Players - the College Drama Society. Due to this co-operation there was wonderful additional support and aid given to the production. Most credit goes to Helen Clarke who wrote the script, composed all the music and lyrics and co-produced with paul Howard-Williams. It was a very talented, imaginative venture.

We would like to mention the cast, elves, fairies, angels, vagabonds, witches helpers and the principals: Jim Cunningham, Martina Tyrell, Paul Martin, Grace Kelly, Muireann Ni Bhrolcháin and Ann Marie McDermott. Then the children whose show it



really was: Belinda Byme, Sarah Carroll, Eithne Cunningham, Tanya McDermott, Linda Filbert, Catherine Cummane; Orla Cahill, Celine o'Donoghue, Rachel Cunningham, Niamh Mulready, Marlene Filbert, Pamela Farrelly, Janet McWeeney, Michelle Cunningham, Virginia Breslin, Mary Clarke, Darina O'Malley, Sharon McLoughlin, Peter Sheehan, Maeve Flood, William McWeeney, John O'Shea, Joanne Cunningham. We would like to mention the lads who served as soldiers and whose names are not available at present.

Larry Shaw and Paul Nash brought Helen's beautiful music to life. The Aula Maxima Committee provided the striking lighting effects and Breda Cunningham performed miracles with the costumes. Fiona O'Connor, Donal O'Donoghue, Martin O'Brien, John O'Connor, Breda Cunningham and Judy Brady took control of the backstage organisation, gathering children (and adults!), getting performers on and off stage, kept the silence, the peace and steadied the nerves. John Dowling

OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

VALENTINE'S PARTY

This was held on Sunday February 18th in the Post Primary School. It was well attended, in spite of other attractions. We are very grateful to Fr. Thynne for officiating at the Mass, at which we remembered Bridie Brady, and to Carol Barton, Paul Daly, Vinny Mulready and of course Josie Moore for providing lovely entertainment.

DONATIONS

We received a donation of $\pounds 50$ from the G.A.A. raised as a result of the New Year's Day match between the married

and single club members. Our thanks to everyone who contributed.

We would also like to thank the lads of Derrinstown Stud for the generous donation which they put in the box at the Leinster Arms. We are indepted to Tess Kenny who arranges this weekly collection and who gives so generously on a regular basis.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE OLD PEOPLE

This will be held over St. Patrick's weekend. Collectors will be at the Supermarket and at the Church Gate. Please remember us then and give as generously as you can.

The next party will be held at the Post Primary School on March 25th starting provided the majority of the stage props and joined with the backstage crew to paint the set, change the scenery, and generally kept the show moving. Paul Howard-Williams co-ordinated all backstage activity. Rita Soldetti and Fiona O'Connor choreographed the dances. Fiona, Eilis and anyone available did the make-up. Paul Daly did a wonderful MC. as usual. The Drama Society also helped with front of house along with the Community Councillors; Eilis O'Malley, Tom McMullon, Peter Finnan, Madeline Stynes and Norah McDermott.

We thank the various Sponsors: Guinness Group Sale, Maynooth Office Supplies, Bank of Ireland, Ulster Bank, Kavanagh's Mill, Hickey Fabrics for donating material, the Drama Society and those who gave prizes for the raffles. We greatly appreciate the parents who ferried the children up and down to rehearsals and performances and tolerated the long hours at the end. Thanks most of all to the children and their wonderful enthusiasm, their love, joy and vivacity during the last four months. I hope that no one has been forgotten! We would like to announce that we plan to stage "A Celtic Fairytale" again within the next three weeks for all those who did not avail of this opportunity to see the production on the first occasion. Please watch for posters and support this unusual venture. May we see many more of them!

with Mass at 3.30 p.m. Our thanks to Mr. Tom Ashe for allowing us to use the school.

PRO

I.C.A. Notes

Madeline Stynes welcomed everyone to the Feb. meeting, sympathy was extended to Maisie McMyler on the death of her aunt.

Congratulations to Breda Donovan who did us proud in representing Maynooth I.C.A. in the National Final of the Guaranteed Irish Sales Person Competition. The competition for March will be a wool darn.

The Annual Prayer Meeting for deceased members will be held at 9.00 p.m. during the March meeting. continued ,

Our guest speaker was Ursula Walsh one of our own members who gave a very interesting talk and demonstration on reflexolgy. Thank you Ursula for a very informative look at alternative medicine.

Good luck to the ladies preparing for the Frend Variety Competition on March 5th. The guild will also be represented in the Drama Festival on March 29th - 30th. All activities continued with handcrafts on Monday's at 8 p.m. Badminton, Tuesdays and Thursdays 11 - 12.30.

The March meeting will be held on Thursday 1st in the I.C.A. hall in the Harbour.

Geraldine Tracy PRO

COMMUNITY INFORMATION CENTRE NOTES

Rights Column D

Q. I have a Retirement Pension from the DHSS in the U.K. which has entitled me to a Medical Card here for the past five years. My husband was recently granted an Irish Retirement Pension which includes an increase to me. I have now been informed that I am no longer entitled to my E.C. Medical Card. Is this correct?

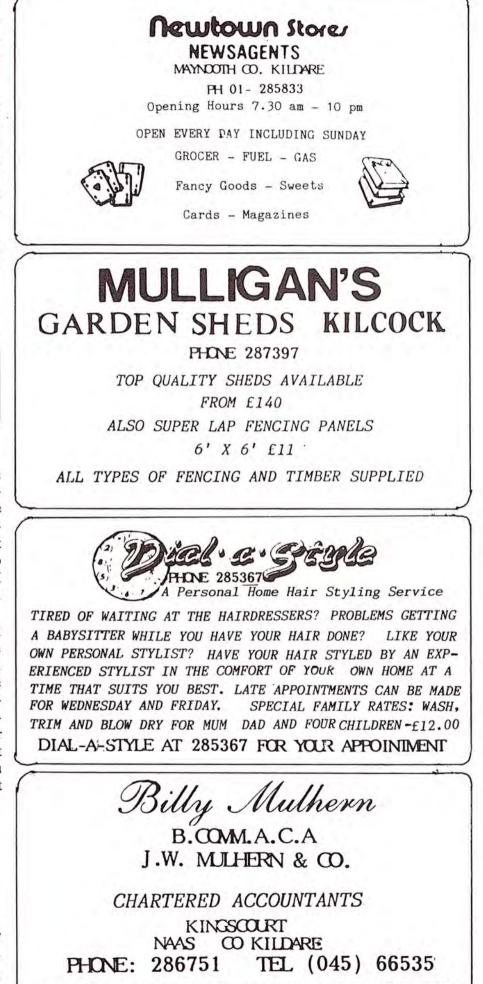
A. To be entitled to a Medical Card under E.C. Regulations you must be getting a Social Security Pension from an E.C. Country but you must not be receiving an Irish Social Welfare pension. Because your husband is receiving a Social Welfare payment on your behalf the DHSS in the UK do not accept liability for you and so, you come under our legislation and must satisfy the means test.

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RIGHTS COLUMN C

Q. What is the difference between a Medical Card, A Hospital Services Card and a Long Term Illness Card?

A. All three of the cards you mention are issued by your local health board. A brief outline of what is covered by each card is set out below.

Medical Card

A Medical Card, is a person's proof of entitlement to a range of free health services. Your medical card must be presented whenever services without charge are being claimed. There is a means test to decide eligibility for a medical card but there is no fixed income limit as such and each case is considered on its merits. The income guidelines presently in use are:

Married couple (under 66) £108.00 Single person living alone £75.00 Single person living with family £65.00

In addition there are age allowances of those over 66 or over 80, child and dependents allowances, and allowances in respect of outgoings on your house and travelling expenses to work. Full details are given in the 1989 Social Welfare Rates Book which you may consult at your local CIC.

The Dept. of Health issued a circular in October 1989 recommending that applicants for medical cards should not be disqualified on the grounds of income from the Family Income Supplement or the Social Employment Scheme. It is not yet clear whether this recommendation is being taken up by the individual health boards.

Hospital Services Card

if you are not entitled to a Medical Card and if in the previous tax year your income was less than $\pounds 16,000$ you would be eligible for the services provided for persons in Category 2. If

you are in this category you may apply for a Hospital Services Card but your entitlement does not depend on you actually having the card. If your earnings were less than the qualifying amount. You could simply produce your P60 (End of year statement of earnings from your employer) at the hospital.

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Your wife/husband will be separately assessed if s/he had an income in her/ his own right in the qualifying year.

Where there are two incomes, the children will be regarded as dependents of the spouse with the higher income. Students aged under 25 who do not have Medical Cards are in Category 2, even though their parents may not be.

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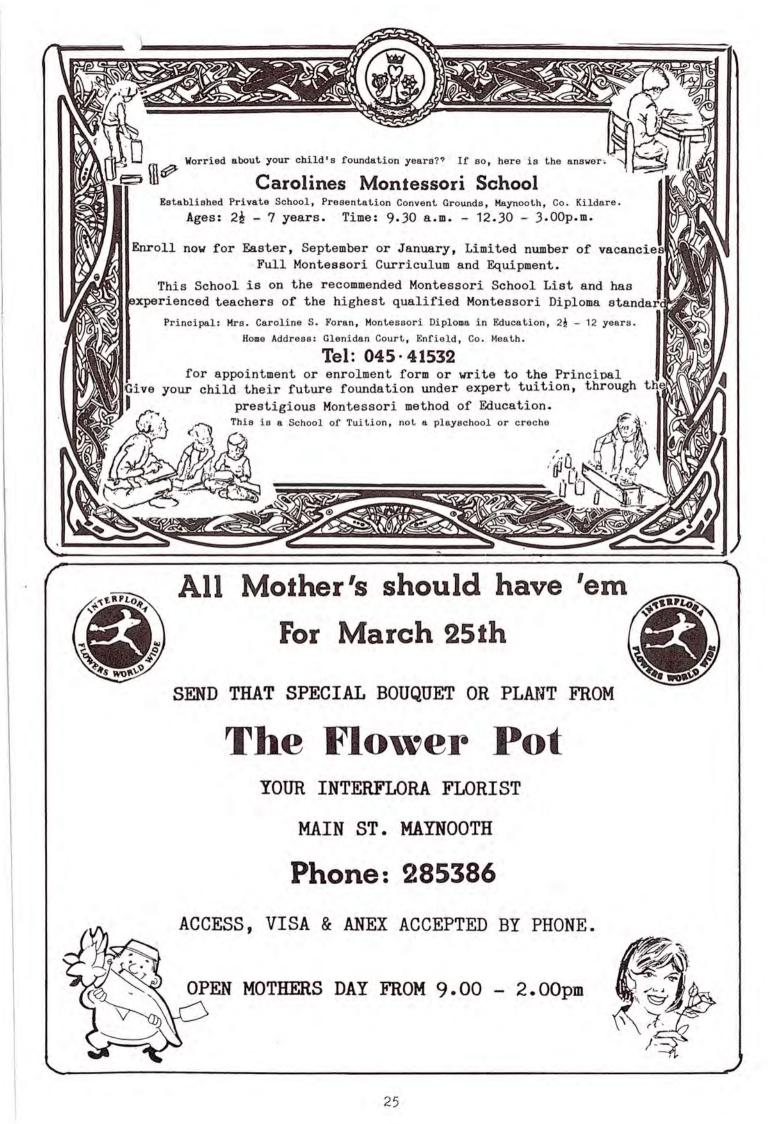
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A SHOT IN THE DARK?

Eye Hear's reference to on unnamed Kingsbry gunman in the last issue generated a phone call from Mr. Bernard Martin who felt that other people might think that the piece referred to him. Eye Hear is happy to accept his assurance that he hasn't ever carried a loaded gun in a built up area.

TRAVELLERS' TALES

Eye Hear is informed that the recent Annual General Meeting of the Maynooth Travellers' Committee could have been held in the proverbial telephone box in view of the underwhelming response to invitations to attend. This may have been due to the incorrect information given in the Editorial of the Newsletter as to the date.

So for those thousands who presumably turned up the night before the meeting, the news is not good. The Committee will need to raise a considerable sum of money to carry out its responsibilities, which are largely related to transport of the children to school. anyone interested in getting involved, or in obtaining information about the work of the Committee should contact the Community Council Office, Telephone 285922.

STUDENT HEALTH CENTRE

The College Authorities have accepted a Student Union proposal to establish a Student Health Centre on the New Campus. The Centre will initially be located adjacent to the changing rooms beside the Arts Block, pending the construction of a permanent extension to the Student Union building. The Health Centre will be permanently staffed by a nurse, with a doctor in regular attendance, and will provide

EYE HEAR

CANAL BARRIERS

At last Eye Hear will no longer have to officiate at the retrieval of cars which have got stuck at the Straffan Road entrance to the Canal. Because of the proximity of the railway station entrance to the canal entrance, a number of drivers over the years have become confused and ended up in a perilous position vis a vis the canal. Now, barriers have been put in place and all, we hope, will be well.

ELIJAH

Eye Hear reminds readers of the performance of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" which takes place in the College Chapel on 4th March. Tickets, if any are left, are available from the Music department in the College.

THE REAL THING IN THE

SQUARE

The garden is designed to reflect Irish prehistory and mythology, with an entrance through an underground passage modelled on Newgrange. Looking at the plan of the garden, Eye Hear is much taken with its resemblance to the shape of the site where the Thing in the Square is located, and inevitably, the idea has taken root. How about asking John Joe to build a replica of the Osaka garden on the site? The rubble from the Thing could be used for tasteful rock sculptures and fountains, and burial mounds. The fountains could be fed from the obsolete washand basins. The statuary outside the Roost could be repatriated as bird baths. The whole thing could prove a hugely popular tourist attraction, drawing in the millions of Japanese who have seen the Osaka version, to experience the real thing.

ACRES AND ACRES

There was quite a busy turnover last year in the local stud farms, according to local auctioneers, Coonans, Six studs Congratulations to former Cluain were sold, comprising 1,160 acres and Aoibhinn resident John Joe Costin who totalling 6,150,000 pounds. The averhas been selected to represent Ireland age price per acre was 5,300 pounds. at a major garden festival to be held in At these prices, it's unlikely that the Osaka, Japan starting in April. John studs were bought by Maynooth resi-Joe, who has a nursery in Kilcock, has dents trading up! However, Willie designed and stocked an exhibition Coonan has reported an upsurge of garden which will form a permanent interest among people working in souvenir of land on Japanese soil. The Dublin for estate houses, or houses on Japanese government will maintain the half an acre, in the 80,000 to 120,000 pounds bracket

information on various aspects of health. It is also hoped to provide a dental service eventually.

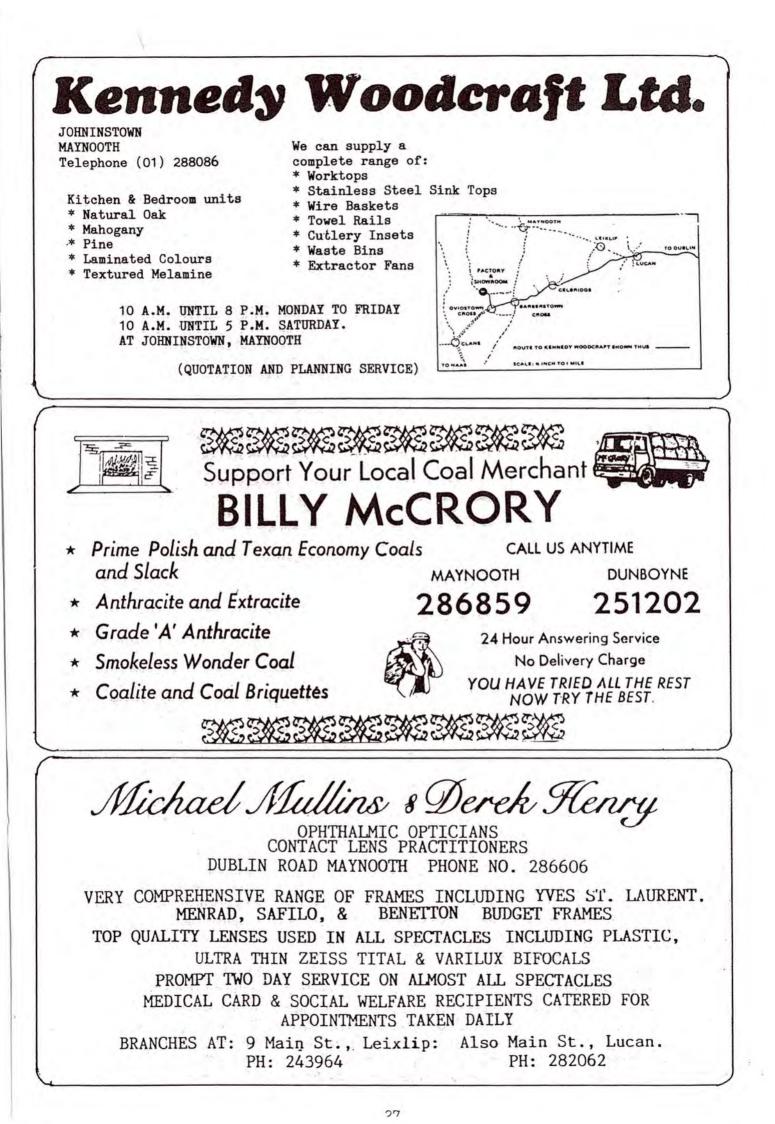
garden after the exhibition is over.

COLLEGE NOTES

The Student Union is also planning a Helpline service for students, whereby volunteers frm various support agencies would be available at certain hours in the College to take telephone calls from those seeking advice. Other colleges have expressed interest in this Maynooth initiative, further information on which will be provided later.

SYMPATHY

This column extends sympathy to Maureen Mooney (Registrar's Office) and Sheila Larkin (Library) on the recent death of their father. Bill Donovan. Prior to his retirement, Bill had himself been a member of the college staff for forty six years.



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Your love for your family true, You did your best for all of us. I will always remember you. My greatest memories are to date: 1964 My First Communion - getting the suit.

1970 My First Job - Lorry breaster 1983 My Wedding fixing my button hole.

1983 I.C.A. - driving a coach to Belfast.

1988 Home and Away - Conversation taken with tea shared with herself and Pcg.

1989 Her-illness - number of get well wishes by post, phone, verbal and

The New Year began in earnest last month when we held our Annual General Meeting which we are glad to report, was attended by the largest number of members for many years. We were particularly pleased to see so many of the younger members present and they confirmed their interest by their willingness to join the Committee for the coming year. The future of St. Mary's band lies in their hands and they have now been given the opportunity to 'learn the ropes" and really see the amount of work which goes into the 'simple" operation of running the band. The following committee was elected for 1990

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IN MEMORY OF BRIDIE BRADY

prayers offered.

Her death - The attendance at her removal to church and burial. Senior Citizens Annual Tour - meeting some of her large circle of friends.

Of her thirty two years, shared with myself I received an education no burden to carry. In my memory I recall I may not have been your dearest friend Nor one so dear to you But I am glad That I have found the joy and love in nowing you.

On closing now Thursday 4th January 1990 my attention is drawn to a calender I received from a business.

"Everywhere in life, the true question is not what we gain, but what we do." Carlyle. Peter Brady.



BAND BULLETIN

Chairman: Michael Dempsey Vice Chairman: Cliff Murphy Secretary: Elaine Bean Asst. Secretary: Patricia Dempsey Treasurer: Oliver Bright P.R.O.: Paddy Boyd Committee: Kevin Boyd, Mick Dempsey, Nessa Hogan, David Mu-Iready, Liam Kelly, Mick Hyland, Mick Murphy, Margaret Dempsey, Colm Carroll, Niamh Sheehan.

The month of March really marks the beginnings of our activities with the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth followed immediately on March 18th by our Annual Trip to the Limerick Marching Band Competitions. We hope to

have some members of our drum and trombone classes on parade (as flag bearers) for both of these outings to give them a feel of big occasions.

Other items on the horizon include the big Lions Club 'Its a Knockout', a possible trip to the Isle of Man and a concert in the Parish Hall, all of which will be reported on as they arise.

Finally could we remind you of our Uniform Fund which we hope will benefit from some activities we hope to organise throughout the Year. You have been extremely generous in the past and we hope we can depend on you in the future because we hope to keep St. Mary's Band both looking and sounding as well as any Town Band in the Country.

See you here again next month.

ROYAL CANAL NOTES

The harbour now looks very well since the dam was removed and the approach area cleaned. Negotiations are now well in hand until the E.S.B., Kildare County Council and O.P.W. for the provision of lighting in the Canal Harbour area.

Next month on Thursday 22nd Feb. Maynooth College Musical Society joins with the R.C.A.G. to present the Second Annual Variety Concert at the Aula Maxima in the College. Artists are currently being lined up for this concert and judging by the names being mentioned and possible performers it should be a very good concert.

Once again the Boys' National School Maynooth are joining forces with the R.C.A.G. for the annual Spring Fair in April. Since this project takes a lot of organisation both committees have been working on this since before Christmas, more about this in the next issue.

Watch this space too for particulars of the "Lions Club" "Royal Canal Jamboree" which will take place on Sunday, May 6th.

CARNATION DAY SELLERS

Thanks to the following Carnation Day Sellers: Emmet Stagg, Mick SHields, Dave Moynan, Bridie O'Brien, Noel and C. Devine Castletown Inn, Mrs Wilson and Mrs. O'Rourke, M.S. self help group from Celbridge, Aidans Shop, Larry O'Brien, Jim Ennis, Kiernans Shop, Mr. Madden, Thomas Ashe, Fr. Thynne, boys and Girls from post Primary School who collected on Bartons Buses, Seans shop, Larry Courtney, Angelina Courtney, Caulfields, Roost, Fusciardi, Brady's, Ann O'Connor, Seamus O'Reilly, Lorraine and Caroline Corbett, helen Corbett, Rita O'Reilly, Bernadette Shields, Muireann Ni Bhrolcháin, John McGinley, Telemecanique, 'Frank Conlon. Leinster Arms, Norah McDermott, Fiona O'Connor.



CLUAIN AOIBHINN NOTES

The Neighbourhood Watch Scheme is now well underway and most people will now have received their folders. Special pens will soon be available to residents for security marking of valuable objects. This scheme involves both residents and students and it is nice to see everybody working in harmony.

On the subject of students it is heartening to see that the large majority living on the estate with us are so well behaved.

In the current inclement weather the roads adjacent to the estate are flooded on a regular basis. We therefore urge motorists utilising this road to exercise caution so that pedesterians won't be continually soaked.

Committee meetings will take place on the last Thursday of each month from

We thank the people of Maynooth for their courtesy and generosity during our recent door to door collection. Also our thanks to our collectors who gave their time to collect in such bad weather. Anybody who we missed can leave donations with any of the following: Fionan Hardiman, Dublin Rd., Chairman.

Joan Lennon, Station House, Straffan Rd., Treasurer.

In Monasterevan last night 14/2/90 the Leinster Assoc. of Angling Clubs met to discuss the proposals of the Minister of Marine John Wilson T.D. to the representative anglers to except or reject them.

After discussing the Minister's proposals for over two hours it was decided on a show of hands to except them unanimously and the large gathering of anglers in a very hopeful mood that the outstanding issues of Fish Farming, Farm Pollution, Effluent Treatment Plants, etc., will be dealt with using calm, cool dialogue for the betterment of angling and the environment in general. I would like in particular to thank Mr. John Wilson T.D. for his timeless efforts to bring the rod Li-

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

now on so residents bringing any matter to the committee's attention should consult with a committee member prior to the last Thursday of the month. Community Council elections are taking place shortly and persons wishing to go forward should complete the nomination form in the current Newsletter.

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to remove the thing and not as their plan envisages to make a bad situation worse!

Please sign our new petitions in the Community Council Office or the Library when you view the plans.

We look forward to seeing you at the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Richard Farrell, Sec./PRO

worked tirelessly and courageously against a lot of misguided propaganda, also Dermot Carbury our Vice Chairman, who's cool, calm assertiveness took us out of many a sticky meeting. The Leinster Association of Angling Clubs was disbanded last night after achieving what it set out to do, the abolition of the Rod Licence. It has been a privilege and an honour for me to have worked with all of the above, and I am sure that if the need should ever arise in the future the Anglers of Leinster will not be found wanting.

Jim Carroll

Ex. Secretary of the Leinster Asociation of Angling Clubs.

ROD LICENCE DISPUTE

cence to a satisfactory conclusion also Emmet Stagg who supported our campaign from start to finish, Mr. Alan Dukes T.D. for the pressure he imposed n certain politicians, Jim Kemmy of the Workers Party and last but not least Bobby Molloy who had first hand knowledge of the hardship and bankruptcy of many of his constituents in Connacht because of an unjust piece of legislation. Finally I would like to thank our Chairman Joe Barrett who



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CROSSWORD NO. 28 BY SPRITE

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8. Greek who'd feel at home in the Roost (8).

9. Plains of South America (6).

10. Chant to nine badly (6).

11. Like the banks on Sundays, closed (8).

12 Japanese religion, sounds like Scottish hurling (6).

13. So, Basset, it's fire proof (8).

15. Where the beasts are sold on the Dublin Road (4).

17. Bette Davis award winning film (7).

19. Make a word from initials on my car (7).

22. Just a female horse (4).

24. Mix H with my taste for a blue violet gem (8).

27. Red eel gave a dirty look (6).

29. Mix up nine green for one who constructs (8).

30. Nat sobs at the truncheons (6).

31. Raw cod is without curage (6).

32. A waterfall disease of the eye (8).

DOWN

1. Awful smell (6).

2. Accuse Denis, in short, with one sixteenth of a pound (8).

3. Sounds like wheel covers could be exhausting (8).

4. Narrow minded islander (7).

5. Lob map, badly but with assurance (6).

6. Ashes at the end of the ninth, eleventh and twelfth months (6).

7. Sounds like the bloody puss is in a classification of its own (8).

14. Heavenly rats (4).

16. Slam the giving of charity (4).

18. No, not me, D, it's a Canadian town (8).

20. Celbridge first, and Donabate last, produce an unwed person (8).

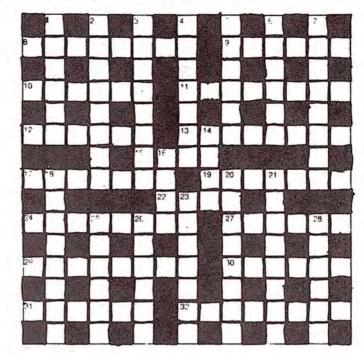
21. Rue overt proposal (8):

23. Entice rat with tact (7).

25. Formosa once, a twain now (6).

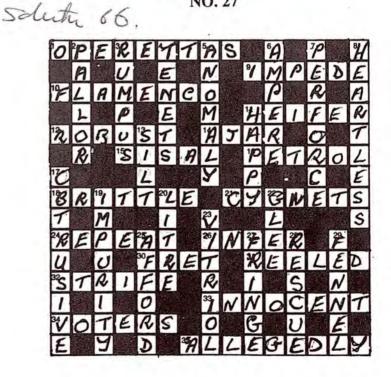
26, Yes, lid provides dividends (6).

28. Cue Hun for a gelded harem resident (6).



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SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD NO. 27



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VICTIMS OF CRIME

Most of you reading this article will at some stage in your life have known somebody who has been the victim of crime and who have been particularly distressed by the experience. Victims of serious assaults, burglary, bag snatching etc. suffer high levels of distress from their trauma. We the Gardai come face to face with such individuals in the course of our daily duties. However because of the various commitments of other duties we do not have sufficient time to deal at a person to person level with such victims. Compassion and sympathy often compel a Garda to stay and chat to a victim and try and reassure them. However several other calls are waiting to be attended to by the member.

The main function of the Gardai in any crime situation is to try and find out who committed the Crime and apprehend the offender and bring him/her to justice. Due to pressure of work and time the Garda assistance to victims of crime is limited. It does not come easy to a member to rush away from the house of a young mother with a family,

With an appeal date fixed for later this month (March) it is appropriate to recall the main grounds for calling the case of the Winchester Three a miscarriage of justice.

- The arrests, which a policeman at the trial admitted might never have happened had the three not had Irish accents.

- The flimsy circumstantial evidence from which wildly speculative charges were made against the three.

- The media campaign against the three from the moment of their arrest right through the trial.

- The intervention of Tom King in mid-trial saying that the exercise of a defendant's right to silence could be interpreted as an admission of guilt.

- The savage 25 year sentences handed down by the judge.

Concern about the case of the Winchester Three grows apace. Among those groups and individuals who have expressed this concern are the following:

GARDA TALK

who has been burgled. A burglary often means that the Christmas presents are all stolen; a mugging can mean that all the money an elderly person has for a weeks food is gone.

Now however there is in place an Organisation known as the "Irish Association for Victims Support", 29/30 Dame Street, Dublin 2, Tel. 798673. This association has a panel of vulunteers who have undergone an extensive counselling training course and they can assist in a number of ways. They can offer advice on Insurance Claims and compensation allpications. They will provide information and answer questions on Garda procedures and court practises. In a 'nut shell' they help to unravel a lot of legal and bureaucratic terminology. More important however one of these counsellors will greatly assist in healing the psychological damage caused to the victim of a crime by reassuring the person and talking them through their experience and listening to them in a patient and humane fashion. Accordingly the vic-

MAYNOOTH WINCHESTER THREE SUPPORT GROUP

In Ireland:-

- The Oireachtas Ad Hoc Committee on miscarriages of justice.

- National Conference for Priests in Ireland.

- Irish Council for Civil Liberties.

- Irish Commission for Prisoners Overseas (under the auspices of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Commission for emigrants).

- Cardinal Tomas O'Fiaich.

In Britain:-

- Tony Benn M.P.

- Jeremy Corbyn M.P.

- Paddy Hillyard, National Council for Civil Liberties.

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- Sister Sarah Clarke
- Lord Gifford Q.C.

tim can share his/her awful ordeal with someone suitably trained; an adviser who will sit and hear repeated tellings of what actually happened; this exercise may be conducted over interminable cups of tea as the counsellor patiently offers what support they can. Any further information may be obtained through your local gardai. The service is there so please avail of it.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The usual St. Patrick's Day parade will be held in Maynooth; this annual cultural event is expected to be bigger than ever this coming year; between approx 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the 17th March. There will be disruption of traffic around Maynooth; be aware of the pending inconvenience to traffic. Please obey Gardai and Stewards. Above all enjoy the day.

Your Local Gardai.

In the U.S.A.:-- New York City Council

- Chicago City Council

- Mayor Dinkins, New York
- Judge Andrew Somers

The above is a tiny sample of the myriad groups and individuals at home and abroad who have expressed their concern about the injustices of the case.

OTHER NEWS

- The support group was represented at the Irish Anti-apartheid movment's welcome home parade for Nelson Mandela held in Dublin on Saturday 17th February.

- At its meeting of 20th February the support group saw a video recording of its part in the Parade of Innocence held in Dublin last Dec.

Tom Nelson Sec.

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This category	of the Childrens Colouring Competition is for 4-7 year olds only.
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The February issue of Consumer Choice reviewed the available information on the quality of our drinking water. John Colgan, Chairman of the Consumers' Association, looks at some aspects of what we drink in North Kildare for the Maynooth Newsletter.

WHERE IT COMES FROM, AND HOW

North Kildare's piped drinking water is purchased by Kildare County council from Dublin County Council's water treatment at Leixlip and pumped (at a not inconsiderable cost) to the various towns, occasionally making use of a storage reservoir. The raw Liffey water which passes into the Leixlip plant has passed over peaty and limestone soils and is thus 'hard' by nature. It also, unfortunately, includes whatever spoil is passed into it from drains, industrial plants and Dublin Corporation's own water treatment plant upstream at Ballymore Eustace.

The raw water is piped into a reservoir where suspended solids can settle and bacteria is given time to "die off". It is then filtered through sand to remove any organic solids. An aluminiumbased coagulating agent, commonly called alum, is added. This combines with clay or organic particles to form a floc which settles out. Any residues of floc are filtered out. The amount of alum to be added is found experimentally. Chlorine gas is added as a disinfectant. Flouride is finally added to prevent tooth decay. Spent sludge from the process is periodically removed and disposed of, often through the sewage works, but sometimes by dumping it into rivers. The acidity of the water may be regulated by the addition of soda lime or caustic soda. River water requires more treatment than groundwater and, because its quality fluctuates rapidly, requires more management.

The process also depends on the water temperature, acidity and flow

POOR WATER QUALITY

rates. Some of the alum components dissolve in the outgoing water, and in certain conditions some of the floc - a stringy, yellow, sediment - passes through the filters into the consumer supply. Until its recent extension to produce 25 million gallons per day, the Leixlip works was overloaded, leading to alum floc penetration of the filters and ending up in the consumers' team discolouring clothes in the wash, etc.

ALUMINIUM LEVELS IN NORTH KILDARE'S WATER

The EC and national regulations specify a maximum allowable concentration (MAC) of aluminium in drinking water of 200 micrograms per litre equivalent to about one half pound in a large swimming pool. Routine measurements by treatment plant staff are not published. In fact they are not allowed by publish this data without the consent of the Department of the Environment under a guidance handbook of May, 1989. However, the E.H.B.'s public Analyst's annual reports show some of his Laboratory's measurements and some independent academics have made measurements. Overall, these show that the level of aluminium in the Leixlip supply has declined over the past few years as the following table shows!

Percentage of Samples Exceeding Permitted Limits of Aluminium

1987 (average, year)	52%
1988 (average, year)	28%

In 1988 over one quarter of the time the drinking water contained more aluminium than the maximum levels laid down by law. The yearly averages conceal widespread variations between sample results. Of all the Dublin supplies sampled over the last quarter of 1987 and the 1st quarter of 1988, the Leixlip

works showed the largest variation - on one occasion there was 5.5 times the largest amount of aluminium permitted by law and the worst case in 1987 was 46 times the maximum limit! The 1988 results suggest that there has been a considerable improvement in

the management of the plant, illustrated by reduced spread in the sample results. It has been reported that the wide variation in Leixlip water quality has been due to the dumping of aluminium spoil from the Ballymore Eustace works into the Liffey upstream.

Having regard for the linkage between aluminium levels (below the MAC) and the risk of Alzheimer's disease, there needs to be continuing efforts made to reduce the average levels and spread still much further.

It is comforting to note that all of the samples taken for the purposes of checking the level of added flouride in the Leixlip water - put there to prevent tooth decay - met the specifications in both 1987 and 1988.

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

Firstly, local authorities must be required to provide anyone who asks will all their water quality test results. This will happen shortly, for the usual reason - the European Commission is demanding it. Secondly, the management of water treatment plants needs to be improved; they should be required to get the equivalent of the Q mark. Thirdly, a safe substitute for aluminium should be used. Fourthly, unsafe domestic chemical cleaners should be banned - they're carcenogenic and can be flushed away into water sources. Fifthly, in the interests of security, there needs to be an (under) ground water source substitute for vulnerable river water supplies. And lastly, we need to curtail the overuse of fertilisers and pesticides which run off into our rivers.

John Colgan





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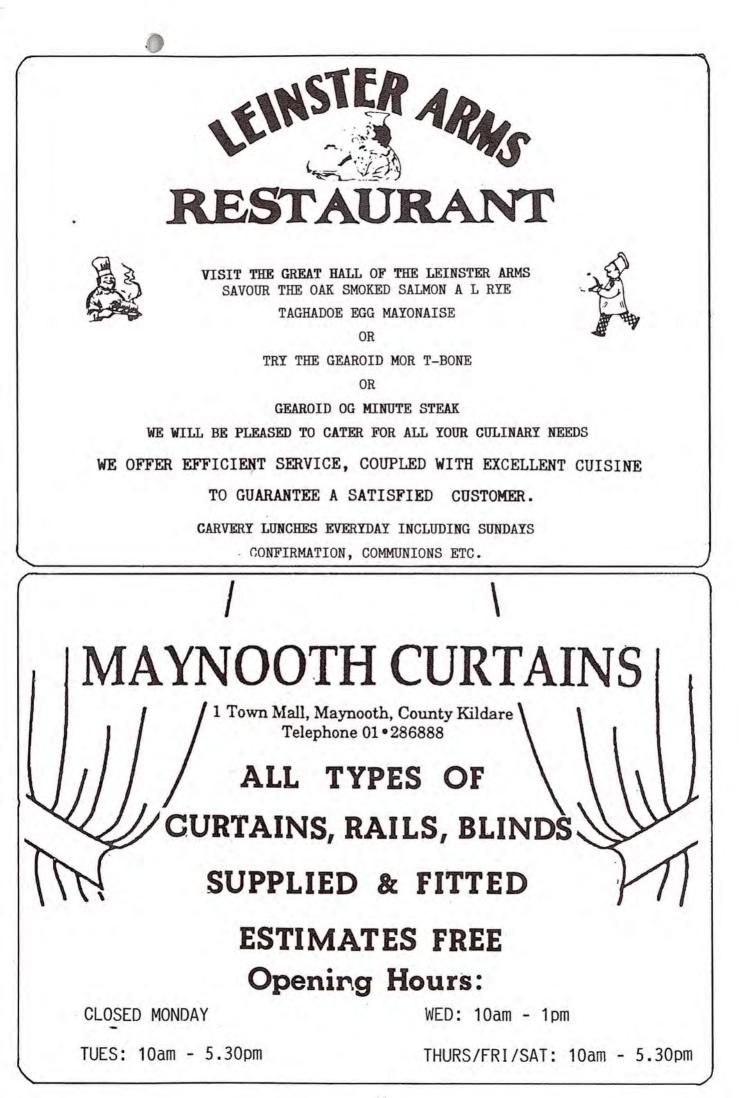
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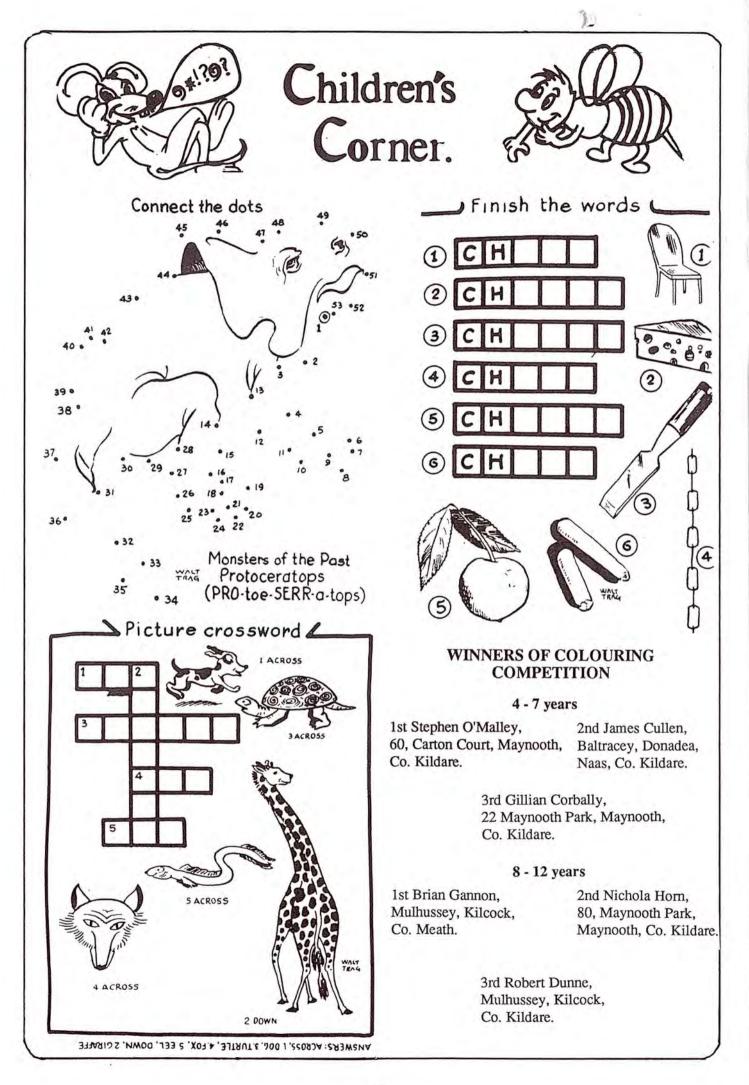
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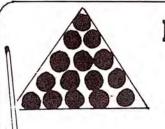


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POLITICALPARTYNOTES

FIANNA FAIL REJECTS MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY

As advised in the previous issue of the **Maynooth Newsletter**, the Labour Party sought the restoration of the Pupil Teacher Radio in Maynooth Post Primary School.

At the meeting of the Vocational Educational Committee held on the 12th of Feb. Deputy Stagg tabled the following motion:

"That the Pupil Teacher ratio in Maynooth Post Primary School be restored to the 1988/89 level".

The motion was not accepted by the chairman of the V.E.C. Paddy Power (father of Sean) for about half an hour. However persistent demands by Deputy Stagg led to the discussion of the matter. Only the Labour Party Reps. on the V.E.C. voted in favour of the motion with F.F. and F.G. voting against. We would also like to advise the people of Maynooth that Gerry Brady a member of the V.E.C. did not even think it fit to attend the meeting. The local F.F. Cumann should think twice before it attempts to con the public in to thinking that they are concerned abut the education of young people in Maynooth. We will show them up for what they are. We make no apologies for that.

RAILWAY CROSSING FOR PIPED T.V. CABLE

Arising from requests from Moyglare

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED

An Environmental Committee to monitor the state of the environment in the North Kildare area has been established by the Workers' Party. This follows the release of the findings of a survey of water quality in the area specially commissioned by the party. This survey, carried out by the Environmental Conservation Organisation, found the Rye River to be grossly polluted by sewage at a point on the Maynooth side of Leixlip. In addition, the Royal Canal

LABOUR NOTES

Res. Assoc., Deputy Stagg tabled a Dail question to the Minister for Transport concerning the delay in granting permission to Maynooth Relay's to bring their cable across the Railway line. The question was refused but it has caused resultant waves.

Mr. Gallagher of the C.I.E. Chairman's Office has advised Deputy Stagg that negotiations are at an advanced stage and it was likely agreement would be reached within a week.

CONVENT ROAD

John McGinley has made representations to Kildare County Council concerning the deterioration in the road surface at Convent Road. He has requested that it be included in the 1990 Works Programme.

LIGHTS - PHASE 3 GREENFIELDS

Following his recent visit to houses in Greenfields John McGinley made representations to the County Engineer cncerning the considerable number of Public Lights which were not working. The County Engineer has advised that the request for repairs was notified to the E.S.B. for urgent attention.

FOOTPATH - CHAPTER TO COLLEGE FOOTBRIDGE

Strong representations have been made by John McGinley concerning the condition of the footpath from the Chapter to the College Footbridge.

FLOODING NEWTOWN

As a result of complaints from residents of the area John McGinley had written to Kildare County Council concerning the incorrect piping of the ditches in the area. This was done by a developer in the area who used an inadequate pipe to cope for the surface water.

JOAN SLADE

Concern has been expressed by residents of the area about the recent development of Parson Lodge. The surface water from Parson Lodge is piped into the Joan Slade. This has increased the height level of the Joan Slade and John McGinley has made representation to Kildare County Council concerning this matter.

O'NEILL PARK

John McGinley has requested Kildare County Council to take immediate action to repair the road surface in O'Neill Park.

Maynooth Branch Labour Party Monster Table Quiz in Caulfields on 29th March at 8.30 p.m.

WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

was found to have such a high level of nitrates (thought to be of agricultural origin) as to threaten all plant and animal life in the canal. The river Liffey was also found to contain four times the permitted level of aluminium, which is suspected of being linked to the occurrence of Alzheimer's Disease. As a follow-up to the report, the Workers' party has prepared an Environ-

mental Charter for the North Kildare

area. This Charter identifies a wide range of elements of the living environment which are endangered by actual and potential pollution problems. These include waterways and other amenities, drinking water, noise, litter and waste, atmosphere, energy, pesticides and other chemicals, and transportation. The charter outlines what has to be done, both locally and nationally, to protect our environment from these threats.

In order to pursue the aims of the Environmental Charter, a broadly based

Environmental Committee has been established with the purpose of campaigning for a better living environment for the residents of all of the North Kildare area. Membership of this Committee is open to all who wish to involve themselves in this campaign. Further information available from Commissioner Catherine Murphy at 244903, or in Maynooth at 285241.

TABLE QUIZ SUCCESS

The Maynooth Branch of the Workers' Party held a very successful Table Quiz in Caulfield's Lounge on February 13 last. We wish to thank Ethna Carey for making the venue available and all those who so generously sponsored our spot prizes. Congratulations to all the prizewinners.

LEAFLET CIRCULATED

The Maynooth Branch recently circulated an information leaflet to all houses in the Maynooth area. As part of the Workers' Party nationwide policy of maintaining ongoing links with the people (and not just appearing around election time), such leaflets will be distributed on a regular basis.

YOUTH CONFERENCE

Five members of the Maynooth Branch attended the Workers' Party Annual Youth Conference in mid February. The Conference discussed a wide range of topics, including the need for a comprehensive education programme on AIDS, a task force on emigration, the right to information on all pregnancy options, and the need to repeal the archaic laws on homosexuality. The Conference also welcomed the process of democratisation in Eastern Europe, stating that "Socialism can only be successful if it is firmly linked to democracy and pluralism".



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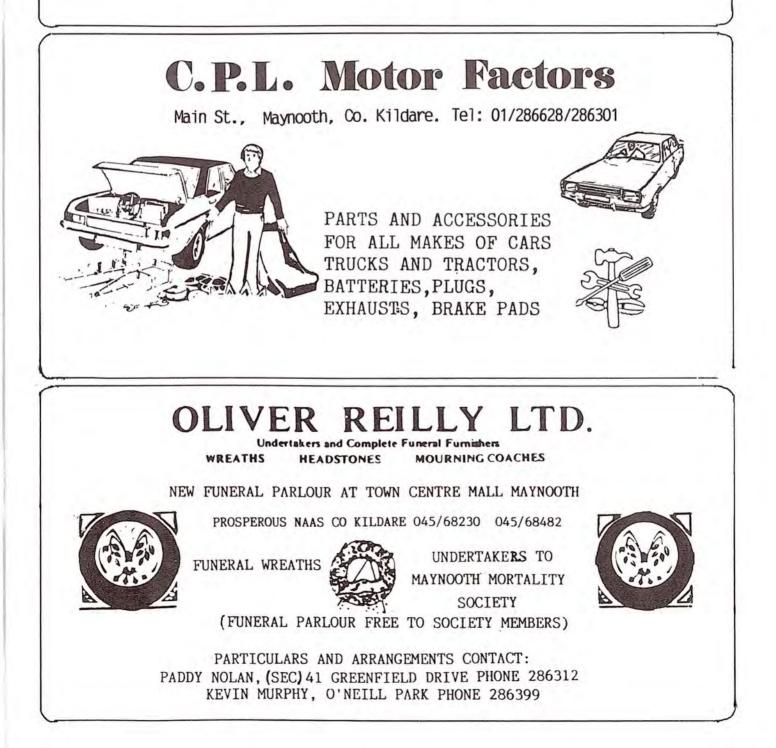
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STREET TALKING

RUBBISH

Now that the green bins are in evidence all along the estates, it is sad to note that all sorts of rubbish is still being "flydumped" around the town. The Avenue, which should be one fo the glories of our local environment, is used as a handy tip by some householders, with supermarket bags full of rubbish thrown under the trees. And out the Straffan Road, near Dowdstown Stud, someone has emptied a load of old wooden fruit boxes at the side of the road. Other idiots take the presence of bottle-banks in Quinnsworth car parks as an invitation to leave assorted waste alongside them.

Quinnsworth are to be commended for giving space to these Rehab bottle banks, particularly in the face of such thick vandalism. Could the bottle-bank model not be extended to other types of rubbish retrieval? The council could make available at suitable locations large and covered skips where people could dump the sort of stuff that cannot go into a dustbin - the old mattress,

Chicken Blanquette

1 large chicken with giblets salt and pepper sprig parsley sprig thyme 13 small onions 13 small carrots Sauce 50g/2 oz butter 50g/2oz flour 150 ml/1/4 pint milk 150 ml/1/4 pint single cream 300 ml/1/2 pint chicken stock 2 egg yolks

GARNISH

Chopped parsley

Cook the chicken as on the previous page; put 1 whole onion and 1 whole carrot in the pan with the chicken at the start of the cooking period. Add the remaining carrots and onions about 35 minutes before the bird is cooked, so they can be served around it. When the

garden refuse, the clapped-out cooker, etc. Otherwise these things end up disfiguring local beauty spots, such as the little piece of woodland out at Taghadoe. A well maintained skip, exchanged for an empty one on a regular basis, could go a long way to eliminate rubbish abuse. Maynooth's need for some such developed scheme is particularly pressing, as it is twenty miles to the council tip at Kilcullen. Having spent half-an-hour or so, and several litres of petrol in getting there, one is then charged a pound or more to enter into a quarry of mud and stink to jettison any rubbish. In our environment-conscious society, proper wastedisposal management requires more than this hole-in-the-ground approach.

NAKED WOMEN

This column has been remarkably restrained, in that we have been one of the few mouthpieces not to comment on the changes which have swept through

BOB'S KITCHEN

chicken is cooked, strain off 300 ml/1/ 2 pint stock. Carve the chicken neatly, put on to a hot dish the whole vegetables. Heat the butter in a pan, stir in the flour and cook slowly for 2 to 3 minutes. Gradually blend in the milk, cream and most of the 300 ml/1/2 pint stock. Stir as the sauce comes to the boil and thickens; season well. Blend the egg yolks with the remaining stock, whisk into the sauce and cook gently, without boiling, for several minutes. Spoon the sauce over the chicken, garnish with chopped parsley. Serves 6.

Chicken Supreme

4 cooked chicken breasts 25g/1 oz butter 25g/1 oz flour 300 ml/1/2 pint chicken stock 150 ml/1/4 pint milk salt and pepper 2 egg yolks 3 tablespoons double cream 1-2 tablespoons dry sherry "The Roost' in recent months. However, the embellishments on the outside of the pub which were added in the course of February bring a new dimension to the street furniture of our town. A row of statues at first-storey height ring the premises. The figures outside the pub give real meaning to the corny old saying about the Irishman who's always ready to fight his way past a crowd of naked women to get to the bar for a drink. Or perhaps they have been erected to test the resolution of seminarians making their way to the college gates.

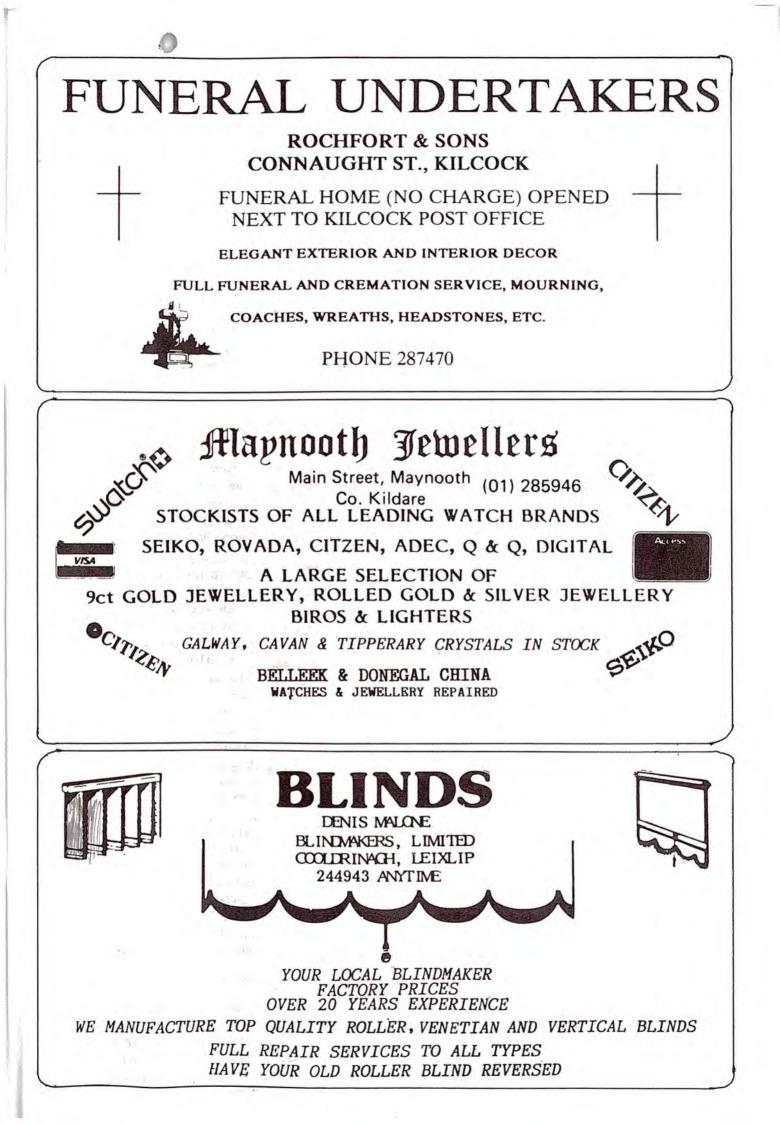
Just across from "The Roost" is another addition to the town's facilities, in the shape of an 'amusement" hall next to Mr. McNamara's shop. We believe that this has video machines and pool tables, but we have not visited the place.

For visits further afield, see Travel Options. Last month we regretted the loss of a local travel agency, but the lack has immediately been remedied by the opening of Travel Options in the square, next to the bookshop.

GARNISH

2 egg, hard-boiled and chopped paprika chopped parsley

Skin the chicken breasts. Heat the butter in a large pan, stir in the flour and cook for 2 to 3 minutes over a low heat. Gradually add the stock and milk. Stir as the sauce comes to the boil and begins to thicken; it should not be too thick at this stage. Season lightly. Beat the egg yolks, cream and sherry together. Pour a little hot sauce over the egg yolk mixture, whisking hard as you do so, then return to the saucepan. Place the chicken breasts into the sauce. Lower the heat so there is no possibility of the sauce reaching boiling point and simmer for 10 minutes; do not cover the pan. Stir several times during this period. Serve the chicken and sauce topped with the eggs, paprika and parsley. Cooked rice is the ideal accompaniment.



Once again our A.G.M. was very poorly attended but after due deliberation by the same old few it was decided to go ahead and again have the Community Games for 1990. No doubt we will hear during the year 'it's the same officers again this year", but that is because no one new turned up at the A.G.M. So with renewed optimism and vigour on we go to the 1990 games. After all, if we don't go forward the children of Maynooth are the ones that will miss out at the end of the day. We have entered indoor teams in Badminton, Volleyball and Draughts. We will enter outdoor teams in Variety, Football, Soccer, Hardcourt Tennis and Hurling. Selection for the Variety team will take place at the drama classes in the Geraldine Hall on Tuesday 6th March and Wednesday 7th March between 3.30 -5.00 p.m. If you are interested in the Variety team and cannot make either of these dates leave your name in to the Community Council Office on or be-

Championships have now been completed and many of our athletes were selected on Kildare teams for these events as well as representing their club. Conor Diggins and Niall Byrne won two bronze medals each. In boys u/9 Conor finished 16, in u/10 Conor was 19th and Niall 38th and in boys u/ 11 Niall was 18th and they figured on Emer O'Sullivan, 56 Shauna Feeney, the Kildare team which was third in these age groups. Paul Flood finished 34th in boys u/15, Carmel Noonan 7th A. Redmond, 52 E. O'Sullivan, 60 G. in girls u/17 and Christopher Byrne Haran. 42nd in boys u/14 and they all made the Kildare scoring six in their events Redmond. winning bronze medals in each case. While these were our only medal winners all our athletes admitted themselves excellently as they had done in the Kildare Championships and it must be remembered that this season is the first taste of Cross Country running for most of them. Results from the Leinster Championships were:

Girls u/9: 47 Irene Kearney, 56 Joy O'Neill, 66 Pearl Byrne. Girlsu/10: 36 Susan Adderley, 82 Irene Kearney, 96 Catherine Duff.

Girls u/11: 26 Michell Gillick, 39 Sa-

SPORTS NEWS

MAYNOOTH **COMMUNITY GAMES**

fore 7th March. Following are the dates of events, subject to availability, Art 12th may - Post Primary 10 a.m. -1 p.m. Athletics 13th May - G.A.A. Field, Swimming 21st April - Stewarts Pool and Gymnastics Thursday 26th April. At this stage we would ask that all perpetual trophies be returned to the Community Council Office on or before 31st March and in a proper condition for this years winners. We need them back by the end of March as our games get under way in April this year, so as to avoid County Finals clashing with the "World Cup".

The County Board are running a social on 23rd March in Lumville

Juveniles: The Leinster Cross Country MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

rah Adderley, 68 Susan Adderley, 75 Virginia Breslin, 76 Laura Kearney. Girls u/12: 43 M. Gillick, 48 Shauna Feeney, 70 Tracey Kearney, 91 Linda Haran, 101 L. Kearney, 103 Dervla McDermott.

Girls u/13: 30 Aisling Redmond, 42 66 T. Kearney, 86 D. McDermott.

Girls u/14: 22 Emma McCluskey, 49

Girls u/15: 24 E. McCluskey, 31 F.

Girls u/16: 36 Fiona Redmond.

girls u/17: 7 Carmel Noonan.

Boys u/9: 16 C. Diggins.

Boys U/10: 19 C. Diggins, 38 N. Byrne. Boys u/11: 18 N. Byrne.

Boys u/13: 83 Stephen McCluskey.

Boys u/14: 42 C. Byrne, 45 Niall Gillick.

Boys u/15: 34 P. Flood, 37 N. Gillick, 38 C. Byrne.

Veterans: Patsy McCluskey and Liam McNamee scored a great double when taking the ladies O/35 and men O/40 titles at Donabate with great support from their team mates, the club were House, tickets £5 each, includes a emal and a dance, great value at today's prices! Tickets can be had from Norah McDermott, Community Council Office, Main Street, Maynooth. Tel. 285922.

The Committee for 1990 as follows: Chairperson - Eilis O'Malley Vice Chairman - Paddy Hanley Secretary - Norah McDermott Treasurer - Madeline Stynes P.R.O. - Phil McLoughlin Company Member - Norah McDermott

Co. Delagates: Eilis O'Malley, Philip McDermott.

Committee: Philip McDermott, Frances Kearney, Bernie O'Shea, Margaret McLoughlin, Marion Brennan, Breda Gormally.

2nd in both events. Subsequently, Patsy took the All Ireland O/40 Title at Buttevant with Liam finishing 3rd in this event. Helen Redmond was third in the All Ireland with the Ladies taking 2nd Club. In between the ladies took 3rd O/ 30 team at Enfield.

Leinster Ladies O/35: 1st Patsy McCluskey, 7th Helen Redmond, 13 Frances Kearney.

Leinster Ladies O/30: 2nd Patsy McCluskey, 9th Helen Redmond, 13th Frances Kearney.

Leinster Ladies O/401st Patsy McCluskey, 3rd Helen Redmond, 14th M. Gillick, 15th M. Gleeson.

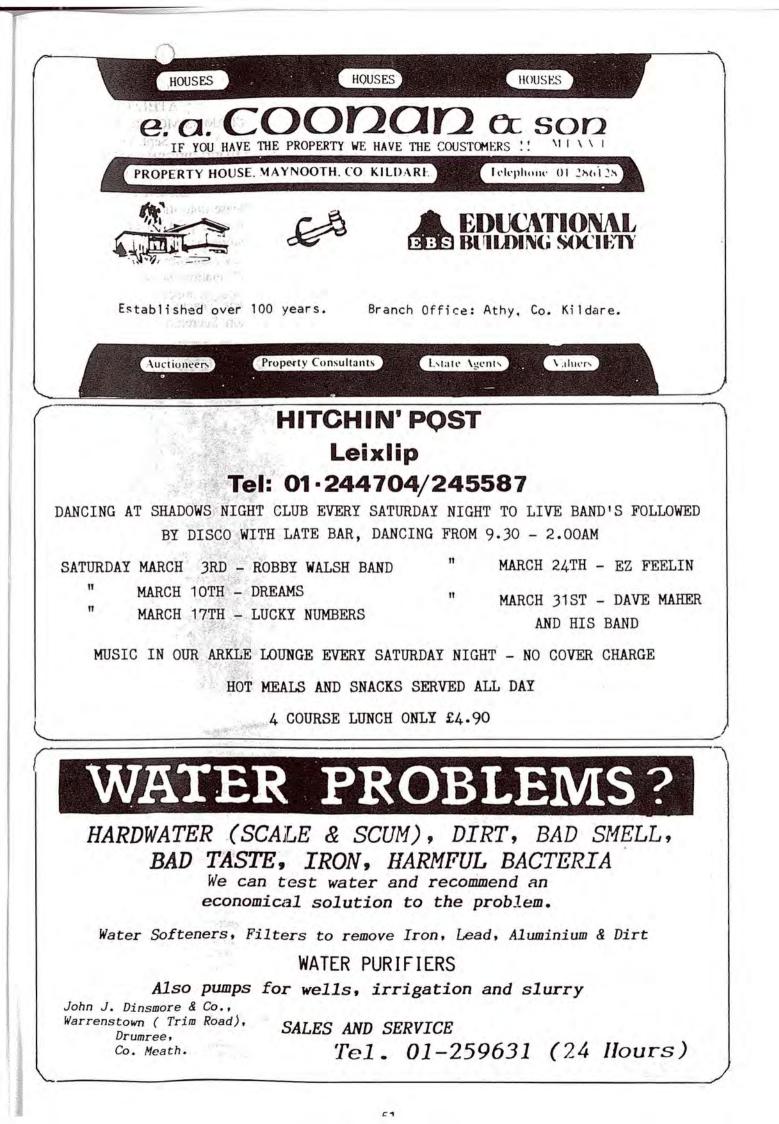
Leinster Men O/40: 1st Liam McNamee, 4th Brian Redmond, 19th Dave Jolley.

Leinster Men O/35: 19th Brian Redmond, 20th Dave Jolley.

Leinster Men O/45: 7th Brian Redmond.

All Ireland O/40: 3rd Liam McNamee, 15th Dave Jolley.

Training continues at the G.A.A. grounds each Tuesday and Thursday 7.00 to 7.45. Anyone wishing to join should come along on these nights or contact any committee member at any time.



The A.G.M. of Maynooth Golfing Society was held on Tuesday, January 30th last in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth. The meeting was well attended and the following Officers and Committee were elected for the forthcoming season.

President: John Carey Secretary: Sean Tracey Treasurer: Joe Moore Captain: Mick Dempsey Vice-Captain: Paddy Foy

Committee: R. Delamere, P. Brazil, D. Nyland, G. McTernan, W. Moore, T.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Kavanagh, H. Carty, M. Scanlon and L. Farrelly. Listed below are the outings for the

1990 Season

March 3rd THE HEATH April 7th TULLAMORE May 17-20th WALES (WEEKEND) June 16th ATHLONE (SEAMUS MOORE MEMORIAL) Sept. 1st ARDEE (PRESIDENT'S OUTING) October 13th EDENDERRY

Please note that the Membership fee must be paid on or before our 1st. Outing to the Heath on March 3rd next. New members welcome. For further information please contact any Committee member. Sean Tracey, Hon. Secretary.



Orla Gannon and Nadine Foley of the Heron Synchro-gym Club in a bench routine at the Club's recent gymnastics display.



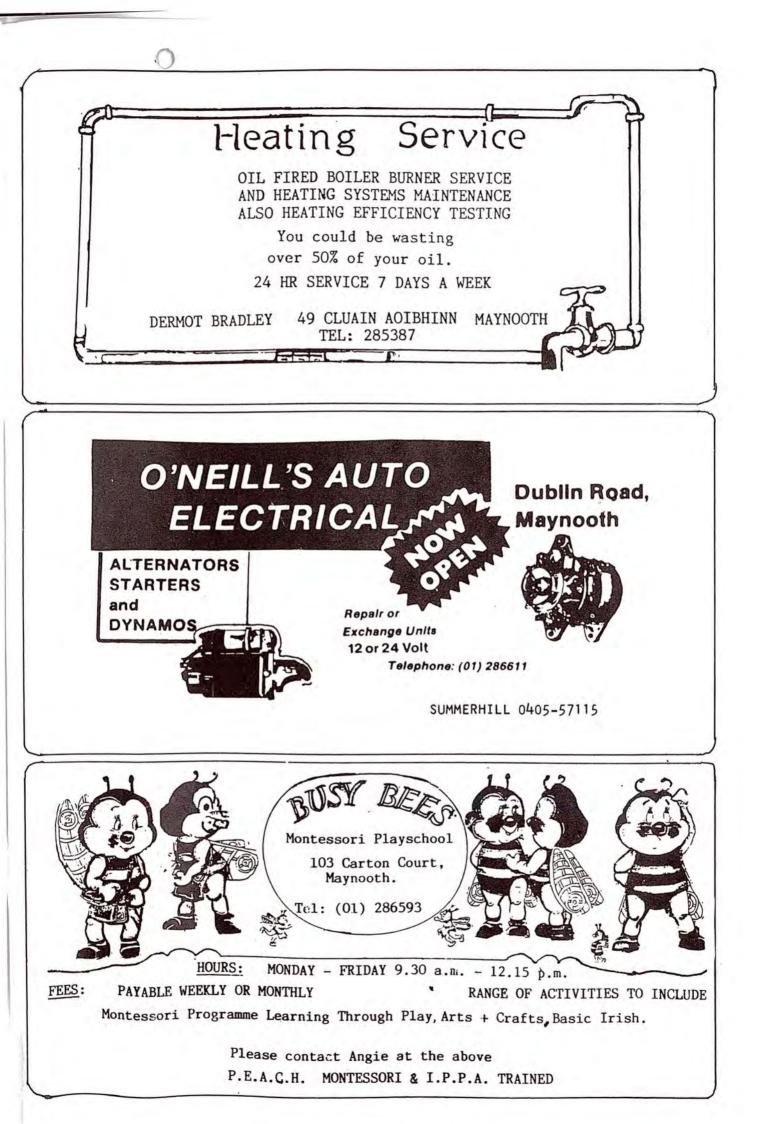
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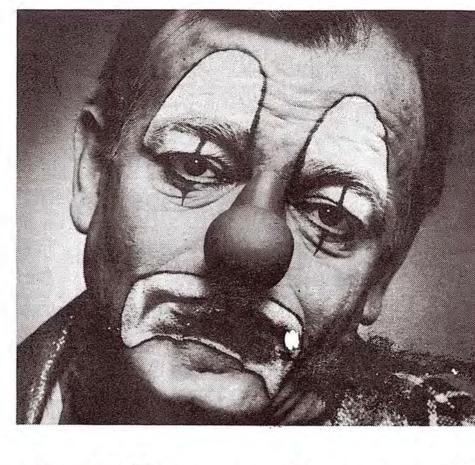


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